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Dear Francis:

I've just had a chance to see the formal program of the Iowa State Biostatistics Conference, and was pleased to see that you were scheduled for it within the menth.

Will you be able to route your trip via Madison, either before or after (or during) the conference? Esther and I would like very much to see the Ryans again. We have an extra bed and a full larder to meet any occasion.

Norton (soon Dr.) Zinder probably brought you up to date on the local happenings, but did not bring a great deal back. If your stopover is after June 27, I will be interested to hear about the biostatistical contributions of your fellow-speaker on that day's program.

I will optimistically assume your acceptance of our invitation, and forego any further conversation until then.

Sincerely.

Joshua Lederberg